

The Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America is a not for profit volunteer organization made up of 800 physicians. The ruling that will become effective August 25, 2003 (02-278) will have a major impact on communications to and from the membership. By removing the "established business relationship" qualification previously available to groups such as mine an onerous amount of work/time is added to obtain and keep current permissions needed to cummmunicate with our membership. Membership in an organization should serve as prior consent for faxed communications. In addition numeous concerns for the new FCC regulations remain, including exactly what Faxed transmissions the FCC would consider "commercial" in nature.